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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 8028** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Secretary**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** Senators Shin, Berkey, Honeyford, Hobbs, Swecker, Delvin, Roach, Rasmussen, and Benton

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1            TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,  
2            AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
3            REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4            UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED AND TO THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY  
5            OF STATE, AND TO THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN  
6            SERVICES, AND TO THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TO THE WORLD HEALTH  
7            ASSEMBLY, AND TO THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION,  
8            AND TO THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TAIPEI ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL  
9            REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN THE UNITED STATES:

10           We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of  
11           the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully  
12           represent and petition as follows:

13           WHEREAS, Direct and unobstructed participation in international  
14           health cooperation forums and programs is crucial for all parts of the  
15           world, especially with today's greater potential for the cross-border  
16           spread of various infectious diseases such as AIDS; and

17           WHEREAS, Taiwan's achievements in the field of health care are  
18           substantial, including life expectancy levels that are some of the  
19           highest in Asia, maternal and infant mortality rates that are

1 comparable to those of western countries, free hepatitis B vaccinations  
2 for children and the eradication of polio, cholera, smallpox, and the  
3 plague; and

4 WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and its  
5 Taiwanese counterpart have enjoyed close collaboration on a wide range  
6 of public health issues; and

7 WHEREAS, In recent years Taiwan has expressed a willingness to  
8 assist financially and technically the international aid and health  
9 activities supported by the World Health Organization; and

10 WHEREAS, Taiwan's population of 23 million is larger than that of  
11 75 percent of World Health Organization member states; and

12 WHEREAS, The United States, in its 1994 Taiwan Policy Review,  
13 declared its intention to support Taiwan's participation in appropriate  
14 international organizations; and

15 WHEREAS, Taiwan's participation in the World Health Organization  
16 could bring many benefits to the state of health not only in Taiwan but  
17 also regionally and globally;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that congress  
19 support the participation by Taiwan in a meaningful and appropriate way  
20 in the World Health Organization.

21 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this memorial shall be immediately  
22 transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United  
23 States, the United States Secretary of State, the United States  
24 Secretary of Health and Human Services, the United States  
25 representative to the World Health Assembly, the Director-General of  
26 the World Health Organization, the representative of the Taipei  
27 Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States, the  
28 President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of  
29 Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of  
30 Washington.

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